

## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Norma Jean Romeri & Norma Jean Trust  
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### ***CLOSURE OF CALIFORNIA WATER CODE SECTION 13260 DIRECTIVE***

On 31 July 2013, the Central Valley Water Board issued a Directive pursuant to California Water Code section 13260 (13260 Directive) by certified mail that required the Norma Jean Romeri & Norma Jean Trust (hereafter "Trust") to obtain regulatory coverage for commercial irrigated lands. No representative of the Trust responded to the 13260 Directive or a Notice of Violation (NOV) that was sent by the Water Board on 30 August 2013.

On 16 October 2013, the Water Board sent a letter to the Trust warning of a forthcoming assessment of civil liability for failure to respond to the 13260 Directive. You responded by submitting a letter explaining that your mother had received the Directive and NOV, but had taken no action because she found the letters confusing and upsetting; she further thought that the Irrigated Lands Program didn't apply because the Trust's irrigated lands do not discharge waste to surface waters.

Your letter also explains that after receipt of the board's 16 October letter, you submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to the Water Board and arranged regulatory coverage for the Trust's irrigated lands through the East San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition (hereafter "Coalition").

Board staff has received your NOI and confirmed your membership in the Coalition. We therefore find that you have complied with the 13260 Directive. Based on your compliance and your explanation for the Trust's initial failure to comply, board staff will not recommend any further enforcement to the board.

If you have any questions, please contact Brett Stevens by phone at (916) 464-4642 or by email at [bstevens@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:bstevens@waterboards.ca.gov).

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